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¶11. (U) The CW Delegation had a quiet week with no meetings scheduled for the foreseeable future. Delegates took the opportunity to host the new South African delegate Martinus van Schalkwijk to lunch and found him to be a personable and experienced multilateral diplomat.

Security Audit

¶12. (U) The Security Audit Team (SAT) convened 18 to 21 July, which was the next stage of the broader Verification Information System-Industry (VIS-I) audit scheduled to be concluded in October 2006. The full audit of the VIS-I module will include all Industry Declaration processing, as well as the Site Selection Module. The October review will focus on integration of each Industry module, security, and document processing. Due to the scope of the upcoming October audit, the SAT wanted to evaluate the Document Tracking System (DOTS) before the October audit. DOTS is an expanded document system that incorporates the functionality of the existing stand-alone archive management system (AMS) and will be integrated into the VIS running on the Secure Critical Network (SCN). Once fully integrated, it will provide the TS with links to the existing EDMS (electronic document management system) as well as report capability of the status of key documents processed by the TS. The audit team found this module to be well designed and executed. The TS will track documents that originate in-house as well as

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received from State Parties. Security logging is integrated with the e-Trust and Active Directory implementation and captures actions, dates of creation, and other critical elements from a confidentiality monitoring perspective. DOTS also links to scanned images for staff reference.

¶13. (U) The audit team also assessed TS implementation of the update/migration to e-Trust software. This application replaced the CA Unicenter TNG software used to generate system-wide audit logs on the SCN. The SAT found that this migration project was a success for both the TS technical staffs involved (ISB and OCS). The project resulted in a timely delivery with minimal interruption of service, being

executed over a weekend and totally transparent to the end user. The process proved that the TS project team coordinated requirements and system specifications, performed an adequate risk assessment, conducted staff training, and tested the application prior to implementation. While e-Trust logging has been used for only three weeks, the Secretariat is working on establishment of adequate filters

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and was able to demonstrate that it is capturing all relevant data for OCS. OCS and ISB will continue to fine-tune the log file filters and have been notified that the SAT will be conducting an in-depth evaluation in October.

¶4. (U) The TS development team continues to work together and is expecting to finalize the Industry and Site-Selection modules as per the original timetable. The staff relayed some concern about two key positions that might be affected by tenure limits (those of Bento da Silva and Monica Bahl). Although the SAT did not feel it appropriate to specifically address this matter, the SAT did indicate informally to the DG that the existing level of expertise on the development team was a large factor in the project's success. The SAT also found that the development effort was no longer totally dependent on personalities, relaying instead on process. The DG acknowledged that the staffing tenure was an issue, but noted that he had some latitude in extending contracts based on need. The new project lead, Per Runn, has assumed a strong leadership role following the departure of former manager Ruth Mohlenkamp.

¶5. (U) The development effort will include additional modules for inspection/mission planning and eventually will provide similar access to VIS for the Chem Demil Branch within Verification. Hoorst Reeps and Per Runn both strongly supported leaving the VIS development team intact for a full year post-VIS deployment, to ensure that all bugs and any remaining issues could be resolved. The SAT concurred with this, and informally recommended this to the DG.

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